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Dear Friends,

You probably haven't noticed, but buried deep in *The Des Moines Register*, they are waging a campaign against the governor, trying to force his hand into expanding Medicaid. They do this without a care in the world as to where the extra hundreds of millions of dollars would come from, and taking no issue with the fact that this government program fails to make those it covers healthier. **In fact, they have written 14 editorials on Medicaid expansion** - just since January 22! Quite an obsession.

It's time to fight back.

[Will you donate \\$14 to battle their vicious smears?](#) That's just one dollar for every editorial they've written attacking this governor.

[Give \\$14 today](#) and let the governor know you don't want this significant expansion of government in our health care system.

Gov. Branstad understands what the *Register* hides - **Medicaid enrollees have grown by 65% since 2000 -- while costs have increased a whopping 129%!** All the while, this program fails to make Iowans healthier.

Can't we do better? Gov. Branstad believes we can, and has a goal of making Iowa the healthiest state in the nation, and won't be deterred by the *Register*'s attempts to go backwards on this goal.

[Give \\$14 today. Fight the smears.](#)

Thank you,

The Branstad Committee

p.s. Don't just take our word for it - Check out President Obama in his own words to the United States Senate Democrats:

"I want to say this publicly. As we move forward on health care reform, it is not sufficient for us simply to add more people to Medicare or Medicaid to increase the rolls, to increase coverage in the absence of cost controls and reform. And let me repeat this principle: If we don't get control over costs, then it is going to be very difficult for us to expand coverage. These two things have to go hand in hand. Another way of putting it is we can't simply put more people into a broken system that doesn't work."

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